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He will surely make them Successors in the earth (56: النور)



# THE FIFTH KHILAFAT OF AHMADIYYAT

So the fifth phase of the second manifestation is also a new chapter according to the promises of Allah the Almighty. It is a kind of thrashing to the opponents. It is a way of rubbing the noses of the opponent's false joys in the dust. Today the opponents view the progress of the Jama'at with greater envy than before, because they see with regret that despite their opposition, Jama'at-e-Ahmadiyya continues to progress in the shade of the Khilafat.

Because they see with regret that, despite their opposition, Jama'at-e-Ahmadiyya continues to progress in the shade of the Khilafat. And becoming the inheritors of God's proclamation that He would establish Khilafat amongst believers, Allah the Almighty continues to strengthen the Jama'at. Even its foundations are getting stronger day by day. By the grace of Allah the Almighty, every fear of the believers is being protected behind the shield of Khilafat.

Despite all the efforts of the opponents, Ahmadis are spreading the message of the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup> in every corner of the earth, only because they hold fast to the rope of Allah, and bring back mankind that had gone astray under the banner of the Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup> so that it can recognise its Creator.

(Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih Vaa, 27 May 2008, ExCeL London, Khilafat Jubilee)





During the months of April, May and June, we will see an array of events taking place. World Health Day will take place in April to remind us that general health is important in all aspects of life. It reminds us to be thankful for the opportunities God Almighty provided us and continues to provide us with.

In May, we will be remembering the Divine institution of Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya, and how it has been a source of infinite blessings for us all. 27 May 1908 saw the Divine appointment of Hazrat Maulvi Nuruddin<sup>ra</sup> to the status of Khalifatul Masih after the sad demise of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad<sup>as</sup> and from that day onwards, a new chapter arose that changed the course of history for mankind. We have among us a living representative of the Holy Prophet Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, who guides us with the his divinely inspired wisdom and insight.

In May and June, we will be given another opportunity by Allah the Almighty to replenish our souls and go through a sort of rebirth, in the month of Ramadan. The month of fasting, as we know, is not all about abstaining from food and drink. It requires us to make new resolves to become better servants of Allah and His creation. It truly is a fascinating sight, seeing all Muslim families working together to evolve their moral and spiritual states, solely for the pleasure of God.

2018 has already brought purpose to our lives in that English-speaking Ahmadis around the world have been provided an easy facility of increasing their knowledge through The Weekly Al Hakam. Every Friday, Ahmadis will have access to thoughts for the week in the form of Ahadith, excerpts of the Promised Messiah's writings, weekly updates on Huzoor's engagements, current affairs, fascinating aspects of history and much more.

Periodicals such as Ismael and Al Hakam have been formed to provide us a sense of purpose. But how can we develop a sense of purpose through reading? Well, the answer is in the question. Once we understand what the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat stands for, what its purpose is and, consequently, what the responsibility is of every Ahmadi Muslim, no doubt, we will achieve a sense of purpose, far above any other purpose in life.

The strongest identity that one can adopt today is the identity of an Ahmadi Muslim. Once we have understood what we stand for, the questions all begin to fade away and life, and all that it encompasses, begins to make sense.

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### وَ لَا تَمْشِ فِي الْاَرْضِ مَرَحًا ۚ إِنَّكَ لَنْ تَخْرِقَ الْاَرْضَ وَ لَنْ تَبْلُغَ الْحِبَالَ طُوْلًا ﷺ

"And walk not in the earth haughtily, for thou canst not rend the earth, nor canst thou reach the mountains in height."

(Surah Bani Isra'il: Ch.17: V.38)

Regarding this verse, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih II<sup>ra</sup> says in his exegesis, Tafsir-e-Kabir:

"If you possess a special characteristic, do not make it a means of showing arrogance, because this will distance you from righteous deeds and you will not be able to step closer to progress. Such a person begins to think that they have attained great heights and thus, becomes devoid of further improvement.

"The second indication in this [verse] is that man's progress is inevitably human progress and one should rejoice to the extent that is befitting for man. Man should remember that no matter how great one's achievements are, they are incapable of tearing the earth apart, meaning that they are earthbound."

(Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad<sup>ra</sup>, Surah Bani Isra'il V. 38, In: Tafsir-e-Kabir, Vol. 4, p.335)



عي رسول الشد



عَنْ عَبْدِ اللهِ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

" لاَ يَدُخُلُ الْجَنَّةَ مَنْ كَانَ فِي قَلْبِهِ مِثْقَالُ حَبَّةٍ مِنْ خَرْدَلٍ مِنْ كِبْرٍ وَلاَ

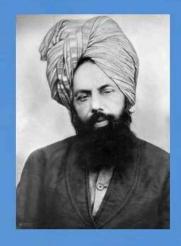
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Hazrat Abdullah, may Allah be pleased with him, narrated that the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him narrated:

"Whoever has a mustard seed's weight of pride (arrogance) in his heart, shall not be admitted into Paradise. And whoever has a mustard seed's weight of faith in his heart, shall not be admitted into the Fire."

(Jami' Al-Tirmidhi, Kitab Al-Birr Wa Al-Silah 'An Rasulillahsa)



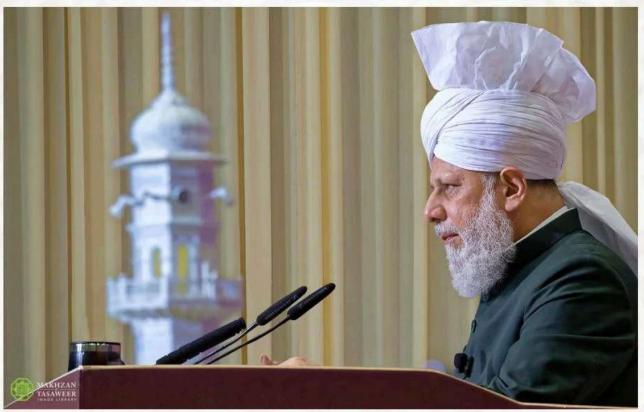
## CONVICTION OF C HAZRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMADAS

I can never doubt that these onslaughts will come to pass even though their manifestation does not lie in my power. I assure you that I am righteous. My dear people, know that unless someone has the support of the Lord of Heaven, no one can ever exhibit the courage to stand up steadfastly against the world. Nor can anyone make such claims as are beyond his power. Can anyone who steadfastly stands up to the world do so by himself? Never, unless he stands with the support of an Unseen Hand, and is under the protection of the Almighty in Whose power lies the heaven and the earth, and the body and the soul. Open your eyes and realize that this strength and this resolve has been given to me by God Who honours me with His converse. It was on His behalf and upon His clear command that I was emboldened to confront courageously and resolutely those who claim to be the guides, the leaders of Arabs and non-Arabs, and to be honoured with nearness to Allah. Amongst them are some who are said to receive revelations, and claim to have communion with Allah, and have declared me to be a hell bound kafir [infidel] on the basis of what they imagine to be revelation.

(Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad<sup>as</sup>, The Heavenly Decree, p. 42)



# ABID KHAN SAHIB'S DIARY OF HUZOOR'Saa TOUR OF GERMANY 2017





(Only small portions of the diaries written by Abid Waheed Khan sahib are included in Ismael.

Readers are encouraged to go to: www.alislam.org/library/topics/diary/ to derive maximum benefit from these diaries)

Abid Waheed Khan sb.

#### Serving Khalifatul Masih

During the journey back from Giessen, Abdul Qadous Khawaja, one of Huzoor's security guards, told me a personal story from 2001.

For more than a decade, Qadous sahib has lived in London serving in Huzoor's personal security team. Previously, he had grown up in Frankfurt, and for several years served in the Germany Khuddam

security team. Thus, whenever Hazrat Khalifatul Masih came to Germany, he would stay at the Mosque throughout and do security duty.

In 2001, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IVrt came to Germany and so Qadous sahib did security duty for the duration of Huzoor's tour. Subsequently, the day after Huzoorrt returned to London, Qadous



sahib planned to return to his normal day job, however, whilst on his way to work he was involved in a very severe and life-threatening car crash.

Qadous sahib told me that, with the Grace of Allah, a doctor was passing by and saw the wreckage of the crash and came to help. The doctor said that if an ambulance was called, Qadous sahib would not survive and so he needed to be airlifted. As a result, he was airlifted and various critical surgeries took place over the next two days. Qadous sahib suffered many severe internal injuries and broken bones but Alhamdolillah survived and woke up for the first time two or three days after the crash.

Speaking of that moment, Qadous sahib said:

"When I woke up in the hospital, I remembered the crash and the first thought that came in my mind was 'I have survived'. After that, I did not think of my wife, parents or family but the next thought that came in my mind was that I will be unable to do security duty for Khalifatul Masih ever again. That one thought was more painful than any physical pain that the crash had caused."

Qadous sahib continued:

"My brother came to see me at the hospital and told me that they had sent a fax to London to Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IVrt requesting prayers and that the London security team informed that the next day after Fajr, Huzoor specifically asked for an update on my health. As I lay there, almost

crippled, I felt so humbled and joyous that my Khalifa had remembered me and due to his prayers I recovered much faster than expected."

Narrating further,

Qadous sahib said:

"With the Grace of Allah, the next tour of Germany by Khalifatul Masih was the first foreign tour of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Vaa and I was physically well enough to do duty as I had in the past. Alhamdolillah, since 2005 I am serving in the Amla Hifazat (Security Team) and I consider it the greatest honour to be serving Khalifa-e-Waqt."

Listening to the story of Qadous sahib made the journey go faster and I was particularly moved by the fact that when he woke up after being in a coma, his first concern was the thought that he might not be able to do security duty of Khalifatul Masih ever again.

#### A sense of guilt

On 22 August 2017, Huzoor spent the day meeting Ahmadis in family Mulaqats. As previous days, the vast majority of people to meet Huzoor were meeting him for the very first time.

One person to meet Huzoor was Waseem Ahmad Khan (39), who was from Lahore and his local Mosque in Pakistan was the Darul Zikr Mosque, which was one of the two Mosques attacked on



28 May 2010. Waseem sahib told me that he was part of the Khuddam security team in his local Qiadat in Lahore. However, by chance, he moved to Germany just one month before the 28 May attacks.

As a result, he watched in horror as news came in a few weeks later of the terrorist attack and saw as some of his Ahmadi friends were martyred.

In the aftermath of the attack, Waseem sahib felt a prolonged sense of guilt. He said:

"After 28 May, I felt guilty that I had moved to Germany and so was saved, whilst some of my friends, with whom I used to do duties, lost their lives and were martyred. To be honest, that guilt has stayed with me until today but seeing Huzoor in person has finally given me peace in my heart. I feel now that it is my duty to serve the Jamaat more and to move on."

I told Waseem sahib how when a Jamia Ahmadiyya UK student, Raza Saleem, died in a hiking accident in 2016, the boys who were with him felt a similar sense of guilt.

However, Huzoor had told them that true friendship and loyalty to the deceased demanded that they were not swallowed up by grief but that they sought to fulfil the work their brother and friend had left behind.

Upon this, Waseem sahib became emotional and started to wipe tears from his eyes. As he composed himself, he said:

"Then I swear, from today onwards I will do everything possible to prove myself a true friend of those who died on 28 May. I will strive to serve Khilafat and to serve the Jamaat to the best of my abilities."

#### A model of humility

Another person attending the Germany Jalsa was Anwar Ahmad (61), a Missionary, who was serving in Jamaat offices in Rabwah.

He described how meeting Huzoor was "the equivalent of a million times reward for any sacrifices we have ever made or any tough times we passed through".

Thereafter, Anwar sahib told me about seeing Huzoor in Rabwah, before he was appointed Khalifatul Masih.

Anwar sahib said:

"I remember we had our National Shura in Pakistan and there was a formal dinner arranged and I was given the duty to greet the guests. Most of the senior people were coming in cars and so I was expecting Huzoor also to come in a car, as he was Nazir-e-Ala, but with great humility, Huzoor walked to the event. As I saw him walk with such humility, I felt something inside me telling me he was a spiritual king. When I went home that night I even told my family that the way Nazir-e-Ala was walking had left a deep impression upon me."



Thereafter, Anwar sahib narrated his observations of Huzoor's administration and leadership in Rabwah. He said:

"Before Khilafat, I was a witness to the fact that even back then, Huzoor's method was to guide us with love and he did not scold us or show severity. Also, if people came with genuine requests for help, he would always assist and never reject. In this regard, I think Huzoor is very much like his father, respected Hazrat Mirza Mansoor Ahmad sahib."

Anwar sahib continued:

"When I was first appointed in Rabwah, Huzoor's father was Nazir-e-Ala and I went to him with a written request for quarters to live in. In response, Hazrat Mian sahib responded by saying the demand for homes far exceeded the number of quarters available. However, after saying this he immediately signed and approved my application.

This is the same style that I also saw in beloved Huzoor before Khilafat, whereby he would show love and kindness but at the same time would guide us about the realities and limitations of the Jamaat. Thus, all I can say is that even before Khilafat, Huzoor was an exemplary leader and guide."

#### A blessed few days

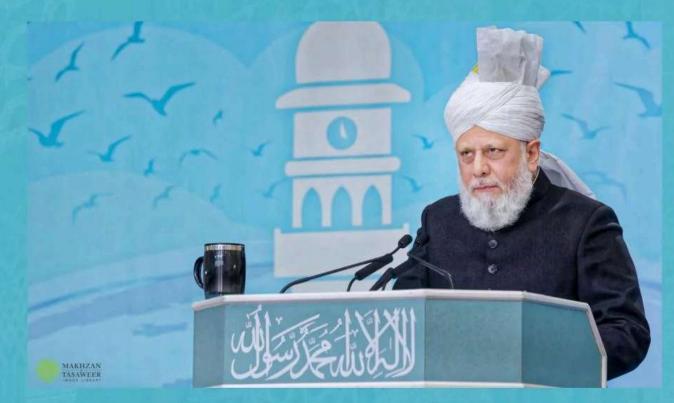
We had reached 24 August, the day before the start of Jalsa, and so in the morning, I gathered my things as we would be travelling to Karlsruhe later in the day, where the Jalsa was being held.

With the Grace of Allah, the first part of Huzoor's tour had reached its conclusion.

During the week, Huzoor had inaugurated a Mosque, met journalists and media and met countless Ahmadis.

It had been a week filled with emotion and blessings. As we got ready to depart for Karlsruhe, I had no doubt that the final few days of the tour would prove even more so.

Over the next few days, Huzoor would address the Jalsa Germany on various occasions and hold meetings with delegations from Europe and much further afield.





## QF-E-NA SHOULD BECOME **HMADIYYAT**

On 25th February 2018, His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmadaba, Khalifatul Masih V, Worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, addressed the concluding session of the UK National Wagf-e-Nau litema. The event took place at the Baitul Futuh Mosque, London and was attended by more than 1600 people, including over 1400 male members of the Waqf-e-Nau scheme. The full transcript of the address delivered by His Holiness on this occasion is presented below.

After reciting Tashahhud, Ta'awwuz and Surah Al-Fatihah, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Vaba said: "Alhamdullilah, the UK National Wagf-e-Nau litema has taken place today and I hope that it will have proven beneficial to you all. According to the report of the central Waqfe-Nau department, there are around 3200

Kingdom and to have so many members of the Waqf-e-Nau scheme is a great blessing of Allah upon our Jama'at. Indeed, even if there is no further increase in the numbers of Wagifeene-Nau, we already have more than enough to bring about a true spiritual revolution within our Jama'at. However, to achieve this, it requires for male Wagifeen-e-Nau here in the United all of you to fulfil your pledge of devoting your



life for the cause of your faith and to become shining stars of Ahmadiyyat.

Similarly, if all of the current Waqifeen-e-Nau reach their potential, it will lead to a huge increase in our Tabligh efforts, Insha'Allah. Anyway, it does not mean that we have now reached an end, rather with each day that passes, the Jama'at continues to succeed and grow, due to blessings of Allah the Almighty. Hence each year, many more children are being born into this blessed scheme, both here in the UK and across the world.

Amongst the total number of Waqf-e-Nau boys in the UK, quite a good number have now reached the age of fifteen or above. Thus, the majority of you have reached an age where a person's mind becomes quite mature and he becomes more independent. Consequently, most of you should understand your responsibilities and comprehend the pledge that your parents made on your behalf before you were born. Indeed, after now renewing your pledge freely and independently, you must be mentally prepared for the sacrifices required and be ready to live your lives in full accordance with

Islamic teachings. Every member of Waqf-e-Nau should constantly have a fear of Allah in his heart, knowing that He is watching everything that we do. As I said, the number of Waqifeene-Nau at this time is more than enough to bring about a spiritual and moral revolution within the Jama'at. For such a revolution to occur, it is not necessary that you all enter Jamia Ahmadiyya and train as missionaries. Certainly, the demand for missionaries is ever increasing and so we do want as many boys to enter Jamia as possible. However, at the same time, it is also essential that the Wagifeen-e-Nau in other fields understand their duties to the Jama'at and ensure that they are constantly increasing their religious knowledge alongside their secular education. Thus, all of you, whether you plan to enter Jamia or not, must read the Holy Qur'an daily and try to read its commentaries, as well as studying the Ahadith and the books of the Promised Messiahas. Only then will you be in a position to guide and morally reform others. Only then will you be real assets in our Tabligh and Tarbiyyat efforts. Only then will you be ready to play your role in bringing forth a true



spiritual revolution in the world. The knowledge you will gain from such study will provide you with the intellectual power and capability to overcome the arguments of those who oppose our religion. Furthermore, you must constantly analyse yourselves and try to improve upon any personal weaknesses that exist. For example, some Waqifeen-e-Nau worry that if they give too much time to the Jama'at, or become Wagfe-Zindaghis - that is, full-time life devotees they will be deprived in material terms. They wonder how they will earn money and fulfil their personal and family needs. It is wrong for a Wagf-e-Nau to think in this way and it is not according to the spirit of the blessed scheme of which you are a part. Rather, as members of Wagf-e-Nau, you should realise that worldly and material pursuits are not your objective, rather your goals are spiritual and your lives are to be spent in the service of the Jamaat. Thus, from a young age, you must inculcate a spirit of true sacrifice within yourselves. If you are firmly determined and resolute in your ambition to fulfil your pledge of prioritising your faith over all worldly matters, such financial concerns

will never enter your minds and you will not be influenced by worldly attractions or material pursuits. In terms of your responsibilities, first and foremost, every Waqf-e-Nau should have the highest standards of worship and should set a positive example for others to follow in this regard. No member of Waqf-e-Nau should miss any of the five daily prayers and they should try to offer congregational prayers as much as possible. If you live at a far distance from the nearest mosque, or Salat centre, try to arrange congregational prayers with other Ahmadi boys who live nearby. Furthermore, in order to fulfil your pledge, you must have knowledge of your faith. It is impossible to serve your religion if you do not know what it is and what it requires. As I said earlier, you should constantly try to increase your religious knowledge by reading the Holy Qur'an, as well as studying the aHadith, the books of the Promised Messiahas and other Jama'at literature. Also attach yourself with MTA and at least listen to my sermons every week. In all respects, people should be able to distinguish between you and others. People should be able to identify you as members of



Waqf-e-Nau simply by observing your high moral standards. They should view you as an example for others to learn from. For example, when you are young, it is easy to become angry over small things, but as a Waqf-e-Nau, you should control your temper and show patience at all times. Furthermore, when you interact with other people, you should speak kindly and your conduct and manners should be exemplary. Seek ways to help and assist others and try to solve their problems. Consider the pain of other people as though it is your own and give comfort to them. At all times, it should be clear to other Ahmadis and non-Ahmadis that you have been brought up in a good way and that you follow Islam's teachings in all aspects of your lives. It is very easy to display good behaviour in front of a few people occasionally, or to appear openhearted over those matters where you do not have a personal interest, however, the real test lies when you, yourself, have a personal interest or face some difficulties. It is at such times that the true character and moral fibre of a person is shown and so, as members of Waqf-e-Nau, you should remain truthful and good-mannered at all times and in all circumstances. Similarly, it is easy to instruct others to be kind or to be humble and selfless, but before instructing others, you should first reform and improve your own habits. Good company is also very important and so you should choose your friends wisely. Seek good and moral friends and stay away from those who are involved in bad behaviour. You should avoid quarrels or unnecessary disputes. You should also avoid inappropriate friendships or relationships with girls. From a young age, you should be regular in attending Jama'at events and take an active part in them and offer as much of your time as possible to serve the Jamaat. In terms of Tabligh, from a young age, Waqifeene-Nau should have the habit of spreading the message of Islam. In today's world, many people hold a negative view of Islam and so it is a great challenge for all of you to counter the false impression that has developed. It is your duty, even more than others, to show the world that Islam is a religion of peace, love and compassion. Thus, at weekends or during holidays, you should do Tabligh and play your role in defending Islam from the false allegations that are levelled against it. Both the

Tabligh functions and events and so you should offer your services and try to help as much as possible. Where you will be gaining the pleasure of Allah by extending the message of Islam to others, you will also be increasing your own knowledge, experience and confidence. These skills will, Insha'Allah, benefit you throughout your life. Moreover, humility and forbearance are very important characteristics and qualities that you should develop. In fact, humility should be the hallmark of all members of Waqf-e-Nau. On the other hand, you should have a hatred for any form of arrogance and pride and you should do a personal jihad against it. Further, you should try to offer the Friday prayers each week and make sure that you listen to my Friday sermon. At all times, you should try to increase your relationship with Khilafat. More than others, members of Waqf-e-Nau should seek the nearness and guidance of Khilafat at all times. You should be examples of obedience and should strive to understand and fulfil whatever instructions the Khalifa-e-Waqt (Khalifa of the Time) gives to the members of the Jama'at. In terms of your secular education, those Wagifeen-e-Nau who are in secondary school, particularly those aged 14 or 15, should try to develop a keen interest in science subjects and strive to excel because, apart from missionaries, we also have a great need for doctors. We also require teachers, both in science and in other academic fields and so Wagf-e-Nau should also take up teaching. Moving on, I wish to remind you of the great importance of reading the books of the Promised Messiahas and understanding his expectations of the Jama'at. As a Wagf-e-Nau, you must pay attention and reflect on the

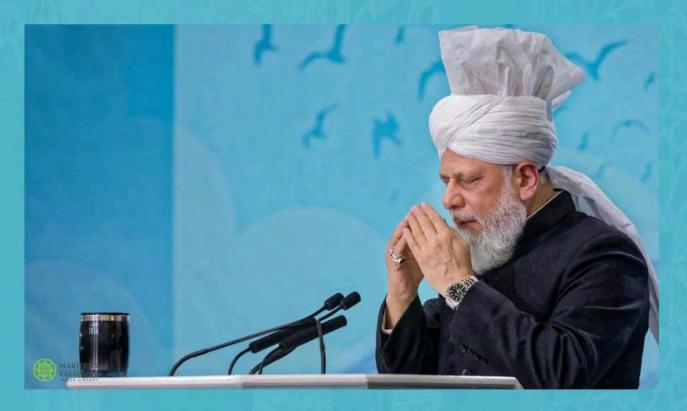
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words of the Promised Messiahas at all times and have firm faith in whatever he has taught. In this regard, the Promised Messiahas himself said that if his followers did not act upon his instructions, it meant they were weak in faith. Certainly, we cannot expect to reform the world and guide it towards salvation if the members of Waqf-e-Nau, who are the future ambassadors of our Jama'at, are themselves weak in their faith. The Promised Messiahas also expressed his ardent desire that the members of his Jama'at be those who furthered the cause of Tauheed the Oneness of Allah - with great passion and zeal. Thus, at every opportunity, the Wagifeene-Nau should be at the forefront of doing Tabligh and seeking to bring people towards the One God. Furthermore, the Promised Messiahas repeatedly advised about the importance of Zikr-e-llahi - the remembrance of Allah - and so you should try to develop the habit of praying and remembering Allah throughout the day and not just during the five daily prayers.

Also, when it comes to morality and spirituality,

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always seek to progress and advance. Never think that you have achieved all that is required and have now fulfilled your objectives. Indeed, the Promised Messiahas said that a true believer should never become satisfied, but should always seek to increase his relationship with Allah the Almighty and to increase in righteousness. If you have this spirit, then Insha'Allah you will be successful, because Allah the Almighty helps those who are ever restless in their efforts to gain His nearness.

The Promised Messiahas also instructed that we should sincerely pray that Allah protects us from all immoral activities and that we stay pure and God-fearing at all times. Certainly, in today's society, where there are many dangers and pitfalls that exist, these prayers are even more important as a means of protecting you from the vices and temptations all around. On another occasion, the Promised Messiahas said that our Jama'at will only be distinguished from other Muslims if we sincerely follow the true

teachings of Islam and view the Holy Qur'an as our guiding light at all times. Certainly, members of the Waqf-e-Nau scheme should pay particular attention to this point.

In every matter, and in every action, you should be guided by what Islam teaches and requires from you. Every moment of your lives should be governed by the teachings of the Holy Qur'an and the blessed practice of the Holy Prophetsa. If your conduct is according to Islam, then you will not only benefit yourselves, but you will also be a means of pride for the Jama'at and become an example to others as well. If you are moral and honest, other people will naturally be drawn towards you and you will be a means of inspiration to them.

Alhamdulillah, we have many converts in our Jama'at, and when asked what initially attracted them to Ahmadiyyat, many respond by saying it was the good conduct and high morals of their Ahmadi friends which drew them towards Islam. Thus, if you are sincere Ahmadi Muslims, and

if your behaviour is according to the teachings of Islam, you will be constantly taking part in a silent form of Tabligh for which you will be rewarded by Allah the Almighty. Unquestionably, every Ahmadi should have high standards and partake in this silent Tabligh, but it is also true that our Waqifeen-e-Nau should be the standard bearers in this regard.

Always remember that we are the fortunate ones, because the Allah the Almighty sent the Promised Messiahas to guide us and we were able to accept his claim. However, as I said earlier, it is not just enough to accept him, rather we must make every effort to reform ourselves and to fulfil the conditions of our Bai'at and to practice what we preach. In this regard, the Promised Messiahas said: "If a person does Bai'at it is not enough for him to merely accept Ahmadiyyat as the truth...

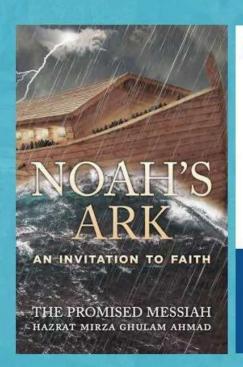
A verbal declaration on its own is not enough to gain Allah's blessings or to please Him, until it is accompanied by sincerity and pious conduct."

He further says:

"Thus, once you enter the Jama'at, strive to be righteous and fear Allah at all times. Abstain from all forms of wrongdoing and vice. Be kind in your speech and make Istighfar your constant companion and pray with great sincerity during Namaz."

At the end, I pray that may Allah grant you all the ability to fulfil that sacred pledge and bond that was first made by your parents, prior to your birth, and which you have since renewed and the younger Waqifeen-e-Nau children will Insha'Allah renew.

May all of you fulfil your duties and be amongst those who bring about a true and everlasting spiritual revolution in the world – Ameen. Now, join me in silent prayer."



Where there should be arrangements for reading and studying [Kashti-e-Nuh] in Jamaats and on MTA, similarly everyone should endeavour to make it a part of their lives. We should read it and should try to act upon it. ]

(Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih Vaa, Friday Sermon, 13 April 2018)

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### MEDICINE AND ITS IMPORTANCE



Haris is a medical student currently studying in Czech Republic. He aspires to become a top specialist and serve the Jamaat. His hobbies include playing and watching sports and going to the gym as well as socialising with friends.

### وَإِذَا مَرِحْتُ فَهُوَ يَشْفِينِ

"And when I am ill, it is He Who restores me to health."

(The Holy Quran, Ch.26: V.81)

"Ibn Abi Hatim reported: Ash-Shafi'i, may Allah have mercy on him, said.

'Indeed, knowledge is of two types: knowledge of religion and knowledge of the world. Knowledge of religion is to achieve understanding (fiqh) and knowledge of the world is medicine. Do not settle in a land in which there is no scholar to inform you about your religion, nor a doctor to inform you about your body." (Adab Ash-Shafi'i)

From the verse of the Holy Quran and Hadith cited above we can understand the emphasis there is Islamically on health and the knowledge of medicine. In addition, the Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup> has mentioned that if the heart becomes ailed then the entire body weakens, again emphasizing the value of health.

Therefore Medicine is a career which enables us to fulfil our *Huququllah* – obligations to Allah – and *Huququl-Ibad* – obligations to His creation.

Being Waqifeen-e-Nau, the purpose of our lives is service to Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya and the Jamaat till our last breaths. Often in Waqf-e-Nau classes, when Huzoor is asked about career paths, Huzoor always emphasises Missionary work and Medical Doctors as the first two options.

Furthermore, the ninth condition of Bai'at that we all pledge is:

"That he/she shall keep himself/herself occupied in the service of God's creatures for His sake only; and shall endeavour to benefit mankind to the best of his/her God-given abilities and powers."

Medicine allows us to do this perfectly. As firstly we acquire knowledge for the sake of Allah. Once we have acquired this knowledge we apply it to serving His creation and trying our best alongside prayers to help and improve the quality of lives of people.

The Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup> taught us that the service to humanity was a fundamental purpose of his advent, and his expectations of the Jamaat in this regard were extremely high thus allowing us to be part of his mission.

Going into the medical field also gives us a unique opportunity to interact and build relationships with many people. Being in a position of trust, where people respect and listen to us provides a great platform for tabligh and increasing people's awareness of Islam and Ahmadiyyat (something that was mentioned in the previous issue of Ismael). As a result, we can again serve the Promised Messiah's mission, fulfilling our duty as Ahmadi Muslims.

Hazrat Amirul Momineen<sup>aa</sup> often reminds us that if we want to gain the respect and attention of the Western World we must be experts in our field so that they feel compelled to listen to us.

In the recent Ahmadiyya Muslim Medical Conference 2018, Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> stated that Alhamdolillah it was good that we were opening hospitals such as in Ivory Coast, but we must have enough doctors with short-term and long-term plans to serve there. Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> also stated that Waqifeen-e-Nau must be guided to become

doctors to serve as full time Waqfs. This is an instruction of our beloved Huzoor that we as students and doctors should all adhere to and do our best to achieve.

Alhamdolillah being a Waqif-e-Nau myself, Huzooraa has guided me all the way through my education and it was Huzooraa who initially instructed that I go into medicine.

A personal experience that I would like to share with the readers is that from my childhood, Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> would call me *Doctor sahib* in classes with Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> or whenever our family used to go for *Mulaqat*. I find Huzoor's<sup>aa</sup> foresight so amazing, that at a time where I wasn't even aware that I would one day go into the medical field, Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> still referred to me as *Doctor sahib*!

In addition to this, while studying for A Levels, I went to see Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> with my father to say that I may not get a place in UK for medicine and may apply for Medicine in Europe and asked what Huzoor thought of this. Before we had even mentioned this to Huzoor<sup>aa</sup>, he himself mentioned Europe and Czech Republic as an alternative! We were so amazed, surprised and comforted that Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> already knew the reason of our *Mulaqat*! This can only be the wisdom of a Divinely chosen person.

Alhamdolillah I am currently in my sixth and final year of Medicine in Czech Republic, a sheer result of Allah's grace and blessings and Huzoor'saa prayers. Insha-Allah this will now be the start of the next part of my journey as a Waqif-e-Nau doctor and I am counting down the days when I can finally be of service to Khilafat, the Jamaat and humanity, thus getting closer to fulfilling my Waqf Insha-Allah.

Finally, I would like to appeal to my fellow Waqif-e-Nau brothers to go into a profession that you are interested in and enjoy. Having said that we should cultivate our interests in the range of subjects and careers that Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> would like us to do. In this way, we will be a source of happiness and pride for Huzoor<sup>aa</sup> and the entire Jamaat, which in turn will result in the pleasure and happiness of Allah. May Allah enable us all to become outstanding servants of Khilafat and the Jamaat.

Ameen.



# ADDRESS BY HAZRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH VABA AT THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM MEDICAL ASSOCIATION UK ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2018

After reciting Tashahhud, Ta'awwuz and Bismillah, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Vaba said: "Alhamdullilah, once again you are holding your Annual Conference. I would say you are very well-versed in organising such conferences, thus I am sure today's event will have proved productive and beneficial to all. However, always remember that it is on your actual output and service that you will be judged.

In terms of practical efforts and service to the Jamaat, your association is, with the Grace of Allah, doing some positive work, but I would say that until today, I did not know the work you had done during the year. The results seem

to be very promising and I hope that whatever report Dr. Muzaffar Sahib presented was a true report and true reflection

of your work. It would be better if you had given me this report earlier so that I could also know what you have done during the year. Dr. Sahib mentioned Waqf-e-Arzi in Malaysia.

I remember when we were talking about sending doctors to Malaysia I asked Doctor Sahib for it to be on a regular basis, but I think after having sent only 2 doctors and seeing 300 patients there, he is now satisfied that he has done enough, but it is not enough. As far as Doctor Shah Muhammad Sahib is concerned,

he mentioned his name that he went to Ghana. however, he did not go there on Waqf-e-Arzi. Although it was a Waqf-e-Arzi he was not sent by the Medical Association. It was the Nusrat Jehan office that sent

worked there for a few months.

Although it seems the report is very promising, you are still lacking in so many fields. Thus, both as an association and individually you must pay great heed to this. Only 2-3 doctors sparing their time for Wagf-e-Arzi is not enough. The number of doctors I was told on the ladies is 87. whilst on the men's side there are around 330 and out of the 330 doctors only 5 or 6 doctors offered their services to go to either to Malaysia, Africa or Pakistan for Wagf-e-Arzi - that is not enough. Therefore, you should see to it that more and more doctors are involved in Wagf-e-Arzi scheme, Ahmadi doctors from here should travel to Rabwah with the exclusive intention and objective of serving in our hospital. Indeed, it should not be, as I have seen, that you go to Pakistan to see your families and during those

family visits you spare one or two days to work in the hospitals as Wagf-e-Arzi. So again, I would say this is not enough. Your sole purpose should be to serve in the Jamaat hospitals in order to gain the pleasure of Allah the Almighty. him to Ghana to replace a doctor there and he Apart from one or two, most doctors, even those who went there, are not giving proper time for Waqf-e-Arzi. There is a great need for your services because we are facing a great shortfall of doctors in Rabwah and this is a serious cause for concern. For example, the government authorities have raised complaints against the Fazl-e-Omer hospital because we do not currently have a qualified radiologist, nor do we have a qualified gynaecologist or pathologist. Furthermore, in Rabwah, Qadian and in Africa we are in desperate need of general surgeons and other types of physicians and specialists. We are now also building a large hospital in Guatemala - large in the sense that it is nearly a 25-beds hospital - which is nearing completion, and there will be a great need for medical specialists there as well. As far as I am aware, only doctors from Western countries will



be able to easily travel from abroad to serve there. In Burkina Faso, an eye hospital is being built by Majlis Ansarullah UK and so we will need eye specialists there. For that you should also try and get some eye specialists for Wagf-e-Arzi at least for 1 to 3 years. In addition, your own Medical Association, as has been mentioned by Dr. Muzaffar Sahib, is building a hospital in Ivory Coast. Whilst you may be able to construct and even furnish it with equipment, you must also make sure that it proves sustainable. This means that you should not just make plans to build the hospital and hold an opening ceremony, rather you must ensure that you have qualified doctors and staff in place so that the hospital is able to fulfil its mandate and progress.

In light of what I have said, you should make both a short-term and long-term plan to assist Jamaat's hospitals around the world so that they can grow and increase their

capacities to serve humanity. In the short term, you should present yourselves personally for Waqf-e-Arzi, and not just for a few weeks here and there, but for longer periods up to three years. In parallel, you should also help the Jamaat hospitals secure their long-term futures by training and guiding suitable Waqifeen-Nau. Hence, in addition to presenting yourselves for service, your Association should liaise with the Waqf-e-Nau Department and identify those Waqifeen-Nau who are interested in medicine and have the potential to qualify as doctors and

serve as full-time Waqf-e- Zindighis. There are a few Waqf-e-Nau doctors sitting here even in this hall – they should also try to come forward and try to fulfil their bond of being Waqf-e-Nau and give full time services to the Jamaat for Jamaat's hospitals in Africa and elsewhere. This is also part of your responsibilities and duties. You should guide such students and mentor them with the intention that they will go on to serve the Jamaat and help fulfil our needs.

Regarding this, the Waqf-e-Nau Department, when contacted by the Medical Association, should seek my further instructions and make a programme alongside you to further this programme and plan.

As I have reminded you time and again, the Promised Messiahas taught that service to humanity was a fundamental purpose for his advent and his expectations from the Jamaat in this regard were extremely high. Therefore, I hope and expect that you will seriously reflect upon this point and seek to produce ever-better results and to selflessly serve humanity to the best of your abilities. This is your mission. This is your purpose. This is your objective.

May Allah the Almighty grant the Ahmadiyya Muslim Medical Association UK the ability to fulfil the expectations of the Promised Messiahas and of Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya in the very best way. May Allah help you in all of your noble endeavours – Ameen. Now join me in silent prayer."





## INTERNATIONAL CATASTROPHIC TRAGEDY

(A WANTON CARNAGE; AN INTENDED MISTAKE)

By Laeeq Ahmad Dar

The days are very near to an International catastrophic tragedy which will see endless wreckage and destruction throughout the world. According to the renowned scientist, Albert Einstein, the fourth world war will be fought with sticks and stones as the civilizations and technological roadmaps would be destroyed completely. So, how ferocious would be the scene where the survivors will be taking steps after steps to deal with incipient imbalances and calamities? It would be, certainly, an end to all except those who are God's own people.

Everyone knows the consequences of wars. The sane polity

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of the world is well aware of the consequences; then why a gear-up for the situation? Perhaps it is a tendency best described as inhumane, as the organisers of such wars cannot truly be human or civilized. These people or governments strategised programs to fight wars for achieving peace. Instead what the world realised after the wars, particularly after World War II, was quite the opposite.

The great powers, united in fighting, are now divided over peace settlements. It is promised that freedom from fear would be enacted, but, in fact, fear increases tremendously after the termination of wars. We have witnessed, and are witnessing even now, the sad spectacle of "liberating" armies firing into populations who want their independence and social equality, and supporting in those countries, by force of arms, such parties and personalities as appear to be most suited to serve vested interests.

Now, rather than focusing on the progress of the world, it is more important and indeed essential, that we urgently increase our efforts to protect the world from this destruction with our efforts and sincere prayers. It is an oversimplification to blame the governments of all the related problems of increasing geo-political issues and tensions. Actually, the public has its part also.

Thus, in order to establish peace and harmony in the world; some other substitutes must be used and we should not slacken in our efforts to make a paradise on this earth. The only way to ensure peace is to adopt humility and justice. Second, we must submissively turn to God. The affluent should treat the weak with dignity, respect and justice. We should help one another in righteousness and piety; but help not one another in sin and transgression. We should respect the spirit of detachment and renunciation so that it will become easy to sacrifice ourselves for others.

All this can only be achieved if the masses pay heed towards the True Religion. We know that most controversial news in this age is intentionally branded as religious.

Since the beginning, it is universally accepted that it is Godly guidance which can tackle the deadly problems of the ages. In the present era, God sent His promised reformer in the person of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad<sup>as</sup> of Qadian, in 1889. The Holy Prophet Muhammad<sup>sa</sup> and



the age-old divine scriptures told us about his advent repeatedly and significantly.

The founder of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat says: "You should strive to the utmost of your power to spread the idea of [God's] singleness and unity all over the earth. Be kind and merciful to humanity, for all are His creatures: do not oppress them with your tongue, or hands, or in any other way. Always work for the good of mankind. Never unduly assert yourselves with pride over others, even those who are placed under you. Never use abusive language for anyone, even though they may abuse you. Be humble in spirit, kind and gentle, and forgiving, sympathetic towards all and wishing them well, so that you should be accepted."

(Our Teaching, pp. 3-4)

After his demise in 1908, according to his will, Khilafat was established, which functions on his precepts. Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad<sup>aa</sup> is his Fifth Khalifa and he strives to save the world from its self-made destructive means and also from God's wrath.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad<sup>aa</sup> is undertaking a huge task to apprise the nations and people of

upcoming destructions and aftermaths. He uses his position to address National Parliaments, advise other religious leaders to take matters seriously, and encourages the world to come to negotiations and peaceful dialogue. He endeavours to bring mankind closer to God, the Creator.

At this juncture, I present only a sample from his peace-provoking beautiful writings. He says: "The Holy Quran recounts the incidents of such people who moved far away from God Almighty and consequently became embroiled in various trials and tribulations and were ultimately left ruined. Conversely, those who established a close union with God were successful and always proved to be victorious. Such narrations are given not only in the Quran, but in the scriptures of other religions as well.

"Upon reading or hearing these accounts we are forced to consider and question, whether these stories are just myths and fables or are they steeped in reality? Did those consequences that God's chosen people warned about actually come to occur? Were the signs fulfilled that God's representatives proclaimed? Did God

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Almighty reward and bestow His bounties on His chosen ones? As a result of the teachings of the Prophets, did people who believed in God come to walk upon a path paved with love and compassion for others? In this short time, I cannot explain each individual issue in depth, but I can attest to the fact that the history of religion proves that the answer to all of these questions is most certainly 'Yes'.

"The Holy Scripture that I believe in, the Holy Quran clearly informs us that all of these things are true and that God Almighty sends his prophets with a mission to inculcate the very highest possible standards of spirituality in mankind by forming a close union with God. Through that union man comes to fulfill not only the rights of God, but also by displaying the very highest moral standards they are led to fulfilling the due rights of God's Creation. And as I said earlier, amongst God's Creation it is human beings who have been deemed to be the very best by God Almighty. Both of these fundamental teachings are such that if they are established in any society, the people who abide by them will not only attain the pleasure of God, but will also be those who spread love, affection and brotherhood."

(Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmadaa, Conference of World Religions, 11 February 2014, Guildhall, London)

It is a humble request to people to pressure their Governments and super powers, to take notice of the sad plight of the age and curb the means of nuclear wars and put pressure on the authorities to refrain from warfare. It is the need of the hour to ponder over the possible global nuclear disaster. It is our foremost duty to secure ours and the generations to come. Over the world, is there any voice that leads to perfect peace, paves a pathway to peace and debunks the world crisis? Most certainly! It is the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community which is in operation. It is for humanity to plan very carefully

so as to get rid of the coming up calamities. We must consider the situation by taking a deep breath as it relates to all except those who would have a deep love and firm relationship with God.

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmadas says:

"Let it be absolutely clear that a mere verbal pledge has no value if it is not supported by a genuine and firm resolve to live up to it in every way. Therefore, whoever fully lives up to my teaching, he alone enters that house of mine with reference to which God Almighty has promised 'I shall protect all those who are in this house.' It should not, however, be understood here that this Divine protection is extended only to those living within the compass of my house made of mud and bricks: the pledge also encompasses those who follow my teaching to the fullest, and who, therefore, can truly be said to be the inmates of my spiritual home."

(Our Teaching, pp.3-4)

As Ahmadi Muslims, we must try our level best to extinguish the flames of hatred across the world by imparting the Islamic teachings.

It is with regret that people's worldly happiness depends on very little things! They have had all that man shall have, and all is theirs, yet for lack of a true peace and bliss they have no time. Nothing must be left behind to connect man with nuclear wars in any way.

notice of the sad plight of the age and curb I conclude with the heart-touching writing of the means of nuclear wars and put pressure on the fourth caliph, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad<sup>rh</sup> the authorities to refrain from warfare. It is the as he says:

"I would give all seekers of peace the glad tidings that Islam alone is the faith that guarantees peace in all spheres and at all levels: individual, social, economic, national and supranational. Islam alone bears a name, the literal meaning of which is 'Peace', and one, who becomes a Muslim, not only enters a safe haven himself but also guarantees it for

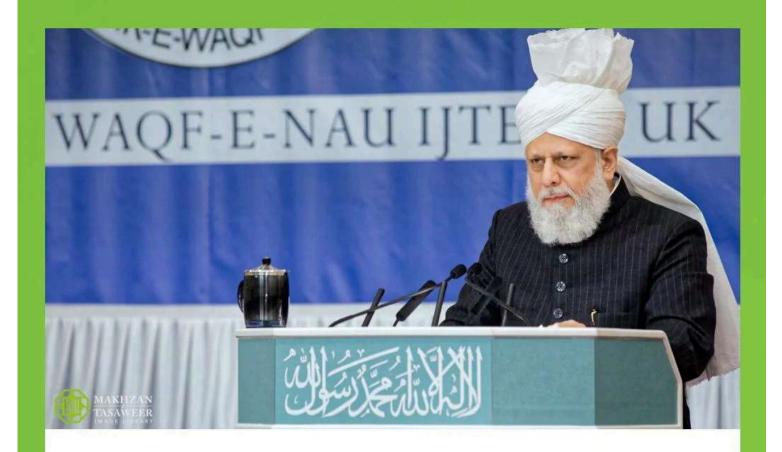


others and shuns all actions that might lead to iniquity and disruption. The Holy Prophetsa said that a Muslim is he whose word and deed do not harm others. The momentous address of the Holy Prophetsa delivered shortly before his death, and after the performance of what has come to be called the Farewell Pilgrimage, is an eternal Charter of Peace for all mankind. Islam enjoins peace not only between men, but also between man and his Maker, so that not only other men remain unharmed from the word and deed of a Muslim, but he himself remains safe from God's wrath and censure. the recompense which is merited as a result of committing transgression. So, a Muslim's peace is obtained in this world and also extends to

the hereafter. Islam's teachings, if followed by the nations of the world, are fully capable of saving them from strife and destruction. Islam is a living faith and claims to be able to place the relationship of man with God on the same plane as it was in the days long past. Islam does not consider revelation and communion with God to be a thing of the past. It believes that the avenues of spiritual bliss trodden upon by Noahas, Abrahamas, Mosesas, Jesusas and, above all, the Prophetsa of Islam, are still open and beckoning to those desirous of close communion with God."

(Some Distinctive Features of Islam, p. 25)

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As Waqifeen-e-Nau, you should keep in mind what the requirements and needs of our Jama'at are, and based on those requirements, you should educate yourselves and work as hard as you can.

Our beloved Imam Hazrat Khailfatul Masih Vaba says:

Anyway, you should all be aware that the Jama'at now has a huge need for the services of Waqf-e-Zindagi. And you are the people whose parents dedicated your lives for the sake of your faith prior to your birth. They prayed especially that you become loyal servants of Islam. Whilst a number of you have started serving the Jama'at, there are also a very large number of you, who despite being Waqif-e-Nau, are not yet directly involved in serving the Jama'at. Some have been advised by the

Jama'at administration or by me personally to continue to gain further experience in their fields of expertise. This is so that they can later present themselves to the Jama'at when they are more qualified and well-trained. However, there are others who have not yet informed us of their current status.

Anyway, those of you who are fifteen or above will now be starting to think about your long-term futures and career choices. You should certainly pursue options that are of interest to you, however I would also urge as many of you as possible to consider applying to Jamia

Ahmadiyya. The reason for this is we have a huge requirement for missionaries throughout the world. Even though whole classes of Jamia Ahmadiyya UK have already graduated, the requirements of missionaries just here in the UK have still not been fulfilled. Furthermore, there are many other English-speaking countries where we need missionaries. And so I would advise you to consider joining Jamia with a spirit that this will be a great means of fulfilling your pledge of Wagf.

Of course, we also require people in other fields as well. For example, we require architects and different types of engineers, such as civil engineers. Those of you who have interests in such fields should pursue them and once you have completed your education, you should present yourself to the Jama'at for service. We also need a large number of teachers. So those of you who are interested in teaching should complete the relevant training and then inform the Jama'at so that you can be sent to our schools in Africa and other places.

Furthermore, we have hospitals in many different countries and there is a shortage of doctors in all of them. It was our expectation that many Wagifeen-e-Nau from the Wagf-e-Nau scheme would qualify as trained doctors. There are a few members of Wagf-e-Nau in other countries who are now qualified doctors; however, if there are any who qualified so far here in the UK, they have not submitted themselves as Waqfe-Zindagi (life devotees) to the services of Jama'at as of yet. Thus I would urge those of you with an aptitude and interest in medicine to become doctors and thereafter to come forward so that you can be sent to Africa or (Address by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Vaba at the wherever else there is a need. Where on the one hand you will have the opportunity to serve your faith, you will also have the opportunity to

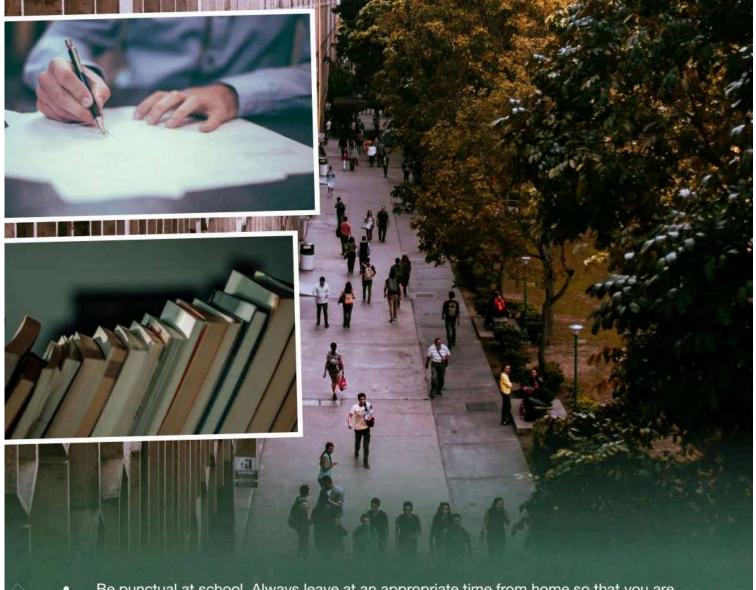
serve humanity and care for those who are living in extremely tough conditions. You will have the opportunity to serve those people who do not have the facilities or means of comfort that are readily available in this part of the world. In this way you will reap countless blessings.

We also require people with media and communication related degrees and training. The work of MTA continues to expand and we have also started our radio service, Voice of Islam, recently. The radio is currently in its formative stage, but we wish to constantly develop it and increase its scope and we will require suitable manpower. Thereafter apart from MTA International, other local MTA studios are either being opened or are currently being developed in a number of countries. Thus, those of you who have a talent and interest in these fields, should pursue broadcast media and other similar technical fields.

We also require journalists and media professionals, because the impact of the mass media is ever-increasing. And so we need our people who can present the true teachings of Islam to the world through the media.

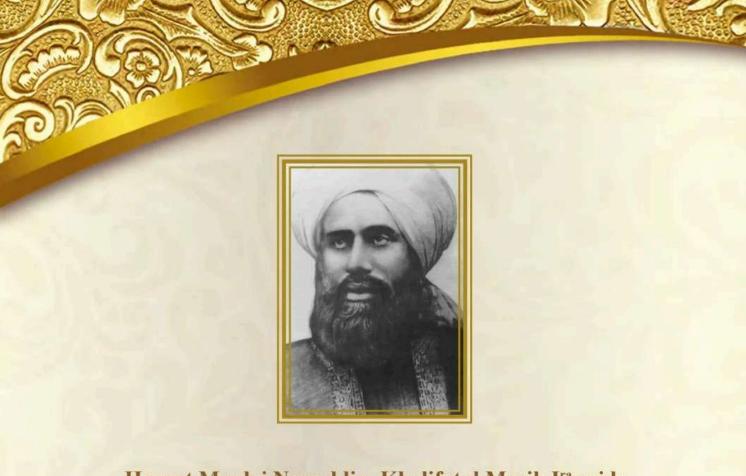
Therefore as Wagifeen-e-Nau, you should keep in mind what the requirements and needs of our Jama'at are, and based on those requirements, you should educate yourselves and work as hard as you can. Once you have completed your respective degrees or training, you should make sure you inform the Jama'at and submit yourselves as Wagf-e-Zindagi (a life devotee) and be ready to serve.

National Wagf-e-Nau Ijtema for Boys on 28 February 2016 at the Tahir Hall, Baitul Futuh Mosque.)



- Be punctual at school. Always leave at an appropriate time from home so that you are not late.
- Keep a distance of at least one foot between your eyes and your books while reading.
- Try to abstain from reading or writing while lying down or bending down too much. Similarly, do not read while moving around.
- Do not make it a habit to insert a pen, pencil or a coin in your mouth.
- Consult your optometrist if you experience frequent headaches after reading or if you cannot read clearly off the blackboard.
- Do not read a newspaper or a book while walking.
- Do not splash ink by shaking the pen around.
- Try to abstain from bickering with your schoolmates and do not use abusive language.
   You should respect your teachers and obey them.
- Work hard in your studies but do not become a book-worm. Try to participate in extracurricular activities as well.

- During quiet study time, refrain from talking.
- Remember that news journals and magazines are a great resource to gain knowledge.
   Try to read them often.
- Do not read books, letters or journals that belong to someone else without their permission.
- Keep a personal diary with you at all times in which you can record entries that are useful.
- Listen to lectures and addresses in your class attentively.
- Write clearly and neatly so that it is easily readable and the writing should be in straight lines.
- Do not spoil your notebooks by tracing lines in them.
- For affordable parents, they should provide each child with a shelf where they can neatly
  place their books and toys. Periodically, they should review the items to make sure that
  there are no such items that do not belong to their children.
- You should never cheat in an examination, because cheating is like stealing and deceiving
- Do not hesitate in asking your teacher if a concept is unclear to you.
- Try not to be absent from school unless there is a pressing excuse.
- If there is a library in your town, you should become its member.
- If after returning home from school, someone merely completes the homework and studies no more, then he/she is an average student. If someone is able to finish all of his schoolwork and supplement it with extra study, then he/she is a smart student.
- Do not hand over your books to young children. If they insist on playing with books, try
  to get picture books suitable for their age.
- Be friend with intelligent and well-behaved children.
- In order to prepare for exams, consult your teachers and other experienced people to make a plan for your studies.
- Say Assalamu Alaikum when entering a classroom.
- Keep your uniform clean and tidy.
- Try to cooperate in every effort to keep your classroom clean and beautiful. Do not be the one who destroys the beauty and cleanliness of the classroom.



#### Hazrat Maulvi Nuruddin, Khalifatul Masih Ira said:

I have no material desires nor is my purpose to seek wealth or glory. I only desire God's pleasure; to please Him in any manner possible. So remember, I deem unity essential. Great signs and blessings of God Almighty are bestowed upon united communities. For this reason, the Holy Quran enjoins it. But remember that unity can only happen under one person. Even if a thousand branches are cut from a tree and immersed in water, rather than being lush and green they would all turn dead and dry and would contaminate the water. Similarly, if Muslims do not unite under one person, their example will be like that of the dead branches. If they attach themselves with the tree, they will remain ever-green, otherwise they will not.

(Hazrat Khalifatul Masih I<sup>ra</sup>. Speech Dated 25 March 1910, In: Al Hakam 28 March & 7 April 1910. pp.6-7)